



General Assembly

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LCO No. 1968

Referred to Committee on Labor and Public Employees

Introduced by:  
(LAB)

***An Act Concerning A Pension Portability Study.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 (a) There is established a task force to study the feasibility of  
2 allowing (1) a municipal employee's pension to be transferred from a  
3 municipality that has a local pension system to a municipality that has  
4 opted into the municipal employees' retirement system, (2) a  
5 municipal employee's pension to be transferred from a municipality  
6 that has opted into the municipal employees' retirement system to a  
7 municipality that has a local pension system, (3) a state employee's  
8 pension to be transferred to a municipal pension system, and (4) a state  
9 employee's pension to be transferable within the various state  
10 retirement plans. Such study shall include, but not be limited to, a  
11 review of the enabling statutory language dealing with the portability  
12 of pensions between local municipal employee retirement systems.

13 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

14 (1) The State Treasurer, or the treasurer's designee;

15 (2) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the

16 secretary's designee;

17 (3) The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General  
18 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor and public  
19 employees;

20 (4) One member appointed by the speaker of the House of  
21 Representatives;

22 (5) One member appointed by the president pro tempore of the  
23 Senate;

24 (6) One member appointed by the majority leader of the House of  
25 Representatives;

26 (7) One member appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

27 (8) One member appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
28 Representatives;

29 (9) One member appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

30 (10) A representative of the Government Finance Officers  
31 Association, who shall be appointed by said association;

32 (11) A representative of the Connecticut Association of Assessing  
33 Officers, who shall be appointed by said association;

34 (12) A representative of a municipal employee organization, who  
35 shall be appointed by said organization;

36 (13) A representative of a state employee organization, who shall be  
37 appointed by said organization; and

38 (14) A representative of the Connecticut Conference of  
39 Municipalities, who shall be appointed by said organization.

40 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (3),  
41 (4), (5), (6), (7), (8) or (9) of subsection (b) of this section may be a

42 member of the General Assembly.

43 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made no later than  
44 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be  
45 filled by the appointing authority.

46 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president  
47 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task  
48 force, from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons  
49 shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held no  
50 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

51 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the  
52 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor and  
53 public employees shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

54 (g) Not later than January 1, 2001, the task force shall submit a  
55 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing  
56 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
57 relating to the municipal employees' retirement system and labor and  
58 public employees, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of  
59 the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it  
60 submits such report or January 1, 2001, whichever is earlier.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To investigate the portability of municipal pension rights.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*